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Dear Ms. Hesse:

I'm writing to comment on the proposed settlement in the U.S. Department of Justice's action against Microsoft.

I strongly feel that the tentative settlement should be rejected. It needs to be strengthened in many areas in order to restore real competition in the software marketplace.

One particular thing I would like to see added to the settlement is a requirement that Microsoft publicly document the file formats for all Microsoft Office documents, including Microsoft Outlook.

In addition, Microsoft's licensing practices need to be reformed across the board. This includes their end-user licenses, site licenses, developer licenses for redistributable components

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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